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SUBJECT: PEACEFUL DEMONSTRATION AGAINST US ANGOLAN POLICY AT
CONSULATE ON JANUARY 8.

REFS: KADUNA 021, KADUNA 022, KADUNA 023

1. GROUP OF APPROXIMATELY TWO TO THREE HUNDRED STUDENTS ARRIVED VICINITY OF CONSULATE APPROXIMATELY 1105. POLICE HELD MAIN GROUP AT 200 TO 300 YARDS FROM CONSULATE. THERE WAS SOME SLOGAN CHANTING: "YANKEE GO HOME", "NATIONALIZE GULF OIL", ETC. ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER POLICE (SECOND HIGHEST RANKING OFFICER IN KADUNA) ESCORTED ABBA MOHAMMED DABO, PRESIDENT ABU STUDENTS UNION (ABUSU), ALONG WITH VICE-PRESIDENT AND SECRETARY ABSU TO CONSULATE. IN ADDITION, SEVERAL PRESS PEOPLE ACCOMPANIED GROUP.

2. STUDENT UNION TRIO WERE POLITE, NONPOLEMIC -- EVEN RETICENT. I SAID I UNDERSTOOD THEY HAD SOMETHING FOR ME. DABO, HANDING ME UNSEALED ENVELOPE, RESPONDED THEY WISHED TO CONVEY LETTER TO PRESIDENT FORD THROUGH ME. I SAID THAT I UNDERSTOOD SUBJECT OF LETTER WAS US POLICY TOWARD ANGOLA. DABO AGREED WITHOUT FURTHER COMMENT. I SAID THEN THAT I WOULD MAKE ONLY ONE OBSERVATION; THAT THIS WAS AN OCCASION
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ON WHICH OUR RESPECTIVE GOVERNMENTS DID NOT AGREE ON THE

WAY THINGS SHOULD GO IN ANGOLA. I ADDED THAT SUCH DISAGREEMENTS OCCURRED FROM TIME TO TIME IN THE NORMAL COURSE OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS. ABUSU SECRETARY MAMMAM BUBA AT THAT POINT BEGAN TO MUTTER IN SARCASTIC TONE SOMETHING LIKE "OH, YOU ONLY WANT PEACE*" HOWEVER, OTHER MEMBERS HIS GROUP AND I STOOD, CONCLUDING MEETING. STUDENT UNION OFFICERS SHOOK HANDS WITH ME AND DEPARTED WITH POLICE AND PRESS.

3. GROUP THEN PROCEEDED IN DIRECTION GOVERNMENT HOUSE, RESIDENCE OF NCS MILITARY GOVERNOR. ACCORDING TO ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER OF POLICE, UPON CONCLUSION OF VISIT TO GOVERNMENT HOUSE GROUP WOULD BE ESCORTED BY POLICE APPROXIMATELY 15 KILOMETERS FROM KADUNA ON WAY BACK TO ZARIA.

4. NO RPT NO DAMAGE TO PROPERTY OR PERSONNEL OCCURRED. SUMMARY OF TEXT OF LETTER FOLLOWS SEPTTEL.
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